



General Guidelines for Youth Productions

(May vary by production)

At Auditions

You will be asked to choose “Early” or “Late” Cast

Each cast has different performance and rehearsal commitments:

- EARLY CAST** – Actors may be called for rehearsal **all days, or any day, Monday through Thursday from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. and Saturday, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.**

This cast performs each week in the following shows:

Friday Evenings at 7:30 p.m. and Saturdays at 2:00 p.m.

- LATE CAST** – Actors may be called for rehearsal **all days, or any day, Monday through Thursday from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. and Saturday, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.**

This cast performs each week in the following shows:

Saturday Evenings at 7:30 p.m. and Sundays at 2:00 p.m.

Leads typically rehearse Mondays through Thursdays and Ensemble typically rehearse two days per week at the times stated above.

During the two weeks before the opening of the show (*Tech Week*), rehearsals are Saturday through Thursday for everyone.

Rehearsal times may be extended and actors may be asked to watch the alternative cast rehearse. Please plan on being flexible this week.

Additional rehearsals may be called throughout the schedule based on need.

After the show opens, there are no rehearsals.

Actors must arrive at the theatre by 12:30 p.m. for day time shows and by 6:00 p.m. for evening shows.

Tech crew must arrive **2 hours** before show time.

Shows typically run approximately two hours.

It is also possible that actors will be asked to perform additional special shows throughout the run of the play on off days or during school for exciting galas, school performances and/or publicity events.

Audition Results will be posted on the front door of the theatre, on the Scottsdale Desert Stages Facebook page on the theatre website (DesertStages.org).

Please check for audition results. The Theatre will not call you.

The MANDATORY PARENT MEETING and First General Rehearsal will be announced at auditions and posted on the Desert Stages website with audition results. At the Parent Meeting you will learn about the upcoming rehearsal schedule, costume requirements, ticket sales and more.

Requirements for Actors and their Parents

Actors

- All requested “out dates” for rehearsals/performance must be clearly stated on the actor’s audition form and no other absences will be excused.
- Must attend every scheduled rehearsal and performance.
- Good behavior is required at the theatre **at all times**.
- Actors are required to abide by all Desert Stages Theatre rules.
- No outside food or beverages are allowed in the theatre or backstage.
- Once at the theatre, actors must remain on theatre premises. **NO EXCEPTIONS**.

Parents

Desert Stages Theatre is a 501 (c) 3 nonprofit community theatre. We hope that your child will have an excellent experience with us. In order for us to operate, we require family involvement. ***Please plan on actively participating if your child is cast.***

Parental participation begins (but does not end) with the following:

- Supply appropriate costumes and/or props for your actor.
- Purchase a minimum of **15 tickets per actor** at a cost of \$15.00 per ticket. Ticket money is due prior to the show starting – the due date will be announced at the Parent Meeting.
- Work a **minimum of 3** performances ushering and/or performing backstage and clean-up duty.
- Volunteer to aid in set building/theatre preparation as needed.
- Attend **MANDATORY** Parent Meetings.
- Drop off and pick up your actor **on time**.

Questions?

Please email us at auditions@desertstages.org.

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